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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE INVESTIGATION OF	:	MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
	:	ON SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE
GORDON MEFFERT, D.D.S.,	:	
LICENSEE.	:	File No. 86 DEN 010

TO: Gordon Meffert, D.D.S.
5939 Highway 113
Waunakee, WI 53597

Ruth E. Heike
Division of Enforcement
Department of Regulation and Licensing
P.O. Box 8937
Madison, WI 53708

Pursuant to notice, a settlement conference was held before officials of the Dentistry Examining Board on January 4, 1989. The purpose of the conference was to provide all interested parties with an opportunity to discuss the allegations received pertaining to the practice of Dr. Gordon Meffert as a dentist, and attempt to reach a fair resolution of the matter.

APPEARANCES

Presiding over the settlement conference was Dr. Kathleen Kelly, of the Dentistry Examining Board. Other board members present were: Diane Bergschneider, R.D.H.; Eva Dahl, D.D.S.; Robert A. Henschel, D.D.S.; Gwen T. Jackson; Jeffrey Leavell; Robert Mork, D.D.S. The board's legal counsel, James E. Polewski, was also present.

Attorney Ruth E. Heike appeared representing the Division of Enforcement.

The licensee, Gordon Meffert, appeared personally.

PROCEEDINGS

The presiding officer made an introductory statement describing the procedures by which the settlement conference would be conducted.

Oral presentations of the positions of the parties were made. These statements were made for the sole purpose of negotiating a binding, consensual agreement. They were received without prejudice to later changes and may not be used against the licensee in any formal hearing.

Subsequent to the receipt of the oral statements the parties presented recommendations for terms of settlement. The board members considered the presentations and made a recommendation of settlement terms on behalf of the board.

The licensee accepted the proposed terms of settlement.

ORDER

Based upon the proceedings at the settlement conference,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That disciplinary action shall be taken against Gordon Meffert D.D.S. Pursuant to the settlement agreement reached, Dr. Meffert shall:

- a. Immediately cease administering any form of IV sedation and any form of anesthesia to any patient.
- b. Complete a hospital based training program in IV sedation and anesthesia before resuming any practice involving IV sedation or anesthesia. The training program shall be a minimum of two months duration, shall involve the treatment of unconscious patients, and must be approved by the Board. Meffert's dentistry license shall continue to be limited to exclude IV sedation or anesthesia practices until Meffert demonstrates to the Board that he has successfully completed a Board approved training program on those subjects.
- c. Submit proof of current CPR certification to the Board by March 1, 1989.
- d. Immediately read, study, and comply with the provisions of the rules of the Board, Wis. Adm. Code Chapters DE 1 through DE 11, and the Dentistry Practice Act, Wis. Stats. Chapter 447.

2. That the foregoing disciplinary action is effective immediately.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 7 day of February, 1989.

BY THE BOARD:


Kathleen Kelly, D.D.S.
Chairman

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STIPULATION

Gordon Meffert, D.D.S., (Meffert) and the Dentistry Examining Board (Board) having reached an agreement for the disposition of an informal complaint, stipulate and agree as follows:

1. This Stipulation shall be included as part of a Memorandum and Order on Settlement Conference to be issued by the Board, and all terms of this Stipulation shall be binding on Meffert as a part of the Board's Order.

2. This Stipulation and the Board's Order shall be placed in Meffert's permanent file, and may be considered relevant to any future complaints against Meffert received by the Board.

3. Meffert, 5939 Highway 13, Waunakee, Wisconsin 53597, is licensed to practice dentistry in the State of Wisconsin.

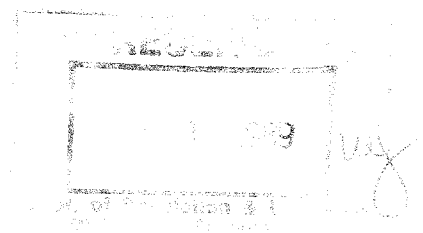
4. The Board has received an informal complaint that Meffert has been administering IV sedation to patients without complying with the requirements of Wis. Adm. Code Ch. DE 11, and that Meffert has not had adequate supplies or appropriate medications available while administering IV sedation to protect the health, safety, and welfare of his patients, as required by Wis. Adm. Code Ch. DE 11.

5. Meffert agrees with the Board that the allegations of the informal complaint are true, and that he has violated the provisions of Wis. Adm. Code Ch. DE 11.

6. Meffert and the Board agree that the appropriate discipline to be imposed in this case is that Meffert shall:

a. Immediately cease administering any form of IV sedation and any form of anesthesia to any patient.

b. Complete a hospital-based training program in IV sedation and anesthesia before resuming any practice involving IV sedation or anesthesia. The training program shall be a minimum of two months duration, shall involve the treatment of unconscious patients, and must be approved by the Board. Meffert's dentistry license shall continue to be limited to exclude IV sedation or anesthesia practices until Meffert demonstrates to the Board that he has successfully completed a Board approved training program on those subjects.



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Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 1st ^{February} day of January, 1989.

DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT

by: Ruth E. Heike
Ruth E. Heike, Attorney

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 7 ^{February} day of ~~January~~, 1989.

DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING
DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

by: Kathleen A. Kelly, D.D.S.
Kathleen Kelly, D.D.S.
Chairman

Dated at Waunakee, Wisconsin this 30 day of January, 1989.

by: Gordon Meffert D.D.S.
Gordon Meffert, D.D.S.

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